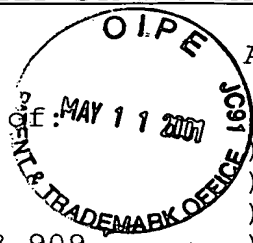


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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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In response to the Office Action of March 9, 2001,
please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 27 and 30 without prejudice or
disclaimer and enter the following new claims:

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31. (New) A composite comprising:

a) a material comprising a welding fabric welded to
a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a
welding portion and a fixing portion, wherein said welding
portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing
condition and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary
fixing means; and

b) a second substrate to which said material is
fixed by said fixing portion.

32. (New) The composite according to claim 31
wherein said second substrate is selected from the group
consisting of columns, stakes, logs, buildings, footings, and